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31 (Amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one dose of an immunogenically effective amount of a polypeptide of claim [1] 37 in a pharmacological carrier.

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A kit useful for the detection of antibody to the polypeptide of claim [1] in a specimen suspected of containing such antibody, the kit comprising carrier means being compartmentalized to receive in close confinement therein one or more containers comprising a container containing the polypeptide of claim [1] <u>M</u>.

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7 (New). A holypeptide consisting of an amino acid sequence having the formula:

 $(\Phi)_n$

wherein n is 1 to about 1000 and Φ is 25 amino acids or less and has the formula:

 $(\alpha ETETWNRFITHTE \beta)_n$

wherein α and β are independently from 0 to about 5 naturally occurring amino acids, wherein the polypeptide is capable of binding antibody in a specimen from an individual with Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)-associated disease.

38 (New). The polypeptide of Claim 37 wherein Φ is QNSETFTETWNRFITHTEHVD.

39 (New). The polypeptide of Claim 38 wherein n is 1.

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The polypeptide of Claim 3/1 wherein n is 1.

141 (New).

A polypeptide consisting of an amino acid sequence having the formula:

 $\{(\Phi)_n(\Gamma)_o(\Delta)_p(\Omega)_q\}_r$

wherein:

n is 0-10**0**0,

o is 0-1000

p is 0-1000,

q is 0-1000,

n+o+p+q=h-1000,

 $(n + o + p + q) \times 1 = 1-1000,$

 Φ is 25 amino acids or less and has the formula (α ETFTETWNRFITHTE β),

 Γ is 25 amino acids of less and has the formula (α GMLEASEGLDGWIHQ β),

 Δ is 25 amino acids or less and has the formula (α HQQGGWSTLIEDNIP β),

 Ω is 25 amino acids or less and has the formula (α KQKHPKKVKQAFNPL β),

 α and β are each independently from 0 to 5 naturally occurring amino acids, and

the polypeptide is capable of hinding antibody in a specimen from an individual

with Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)-associated disease.

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42 (New). A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one dose of an immunogenically effective amount of a polypeptide of claim 41 in a pharmacological carrier.

(New). A kit useful for the detection of antibody to the polypeptide capable of binding antibody in a specimen from an individual with Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)-associated disease in a specimen suspected of containing such antibody, the kit comprising carrier means being compartmentalized to receive in close confinement therein one or more containers comprising a container containing the polypeptide of claim 41.

144 (New). The polypeptide of claim 41 wherein o is 0 and p is 0.

45 (New). The polypeptide of claim 44 wherein Φ is (QNSETFTETWNRFITHTEHVD) and Ω is (ARQKQKHPKKVKQAFNPLI).

46 (New). The polypeptide of claim 41 wherein Φ is (QNSETFTETWNRFITHTEHVD) and Ω is (ARQKQKHPKKVKQAFNPLI).

47 (New). The polypeptide of claim 41 wherein Ω is (ARQKQKHPKKVKQAFNPLI).

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The polypeptide of claim 41 wherein n is 0, o is 0 and p is 0.

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The polypeptide of claim 48 wherein q is 1.

50 (New).

The polypeptide of claim 49 wherein Ω is (ARQKQKHPKKVKQAFNPLI).

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the following abstract after the last page of claims:

Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) specific polypeptides are disclosed. Also disclosed are the use of these polypeptides for the production of polypeptide-specific antibodies and the diagnosis and

treatment of EBV-associated disease .--

REMARKS

Status of the claims

Claims 1-36 are pending in the application.

Claim 2-30, 32, 33 and 35 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1, 31, 34 and 36 have been rejected.

By way of this amendment, claims 31 and 34 have been amended, claims 1-30, 32,

33, 35 and 36 have been canceled and new claims 37-50 have been added.